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Dear Principal and/or Athletic Director;

We would like to invite you and your students to participate in the first ever Georgia Games Scholastic Sports Olympiad. This is a sports and physical fitness competition to crown school champions amongst all of Georgia's high schools and middle schools. First, second and third place school awards will be presented by school size: 1A through 5A and a middle school division.

This competition will consist of teams and individuals representing their schools in each of the 42+ Georgia Games sporting events where the majority of the sports are being conducted during the summer (July 11-20).

Registration can be conducted in several methods. The sports coaches for teams and/or individual athletes for individual sports can register directly through our website or if the school or booster club wishes to register them, they can also do that through the website. If other methods are needed, please contact us to accommodate your situation.

As an incentive to bring awareness and help promote physical fitness across Georgia, up to eighteen thousand dollars in physical fitness grants will be awarded to the top participating schools. The top three schools in each of the six divisions will also be awarded a physical fitness grant. These grants will be awarded to the schools to use as they best see fit to improve their schools sports and physical fitness programs. For each division a minimum number of schools need to compete in order to have a stand alone division or they may be combined.

This is a really exciting program and we hope you will heavily support the promotion and encouragement of this competition to all of your students and coaches.

All students are eligible : Varsity, JV, freshman, club, intramural and any student that just attends your school and does not currently participate in an organized school activity. Every student is eligible.

The Georgia High School Assoc, Georgia Athletic Directors Assoc., Georgia Independent School Assoc., Georgia Coaches Assoc., Georgia State Board of Education and the Georgia State Games Commission all support this Scholastics Olympiad concept and we hope you will too. This is a voluntary competition and is not an officially sanctioned GHSA/GISA competition as it offers non-sanctioned sports and is offered during the summer. In consultation with GHSA, the Georgia Games has taken out additional catastrophic insurance to provide the same coverage that is currently being offered so there should be no liability to each individual school. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

A complete listing of rules, formatting, scoring, questions/answers, etc. will be available on our website (www.georgiagames.org) and updated on a continual basis as questions arise from the schools.

We ask that if you are interested to do two things: 1) return the School declaration form ASAP and 2) to encourage your coaches and students to register early so that we can plan to have enough venues for the interest we hope will occur. As an FYI, we are larger than the Centennial Olympics in overall magnitude.

Sincerely,

Eric M. Pfeifer, President
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(Please copy and distribute the fliers to all students, teachers and coaches)

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